

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 2003 Calendar of Events

ROLLA, MO

“The Souls of Black Folk” Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Black History Month.

January 20, 2003 Time: 11:30 A.M.

Christ Episcopal Church, 10th and Main Streets

Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration. The celebration will begin with a motorcade from 6th and Pine streets in downtown Rolla to the Phelps County Courthouse, 200 N. Main St., where a speaker (TBA) will honor Dr. King. Following the speech, a luncheon will be held in the lower level of Christ Episcopal Church. During the luncheon, area schoolchildren will give presentations on the theme of “Building a Community, Shaping a New Generation.” No admission cost. Sponsored by the UMR African American Cultural Recognition Committee, Missouri Teachers Association, Rolla Area NAACP. **Contact:** Mary Ann Pulley, UMR AACRC Chair, at 573/341-6937, or maryp@umr.edu.

January 25, 2003 Time: 6:30 P.M.

Centennial Hall, University Center - East, UMR Campus

NAACP Awards Banquet. The NAACP will award *Yes I Can* scholarships to UMR African American students at the event and a member of the community will be presented with a *Yes I Can* award in recognition of demonstrated courage in the face of adversity. Guest speaker will be Rev. Gill L. Ford, Region IV NAACP Director, and an attorney from Denver, CO. Rev. Ford is a dynamic, knowledgeable and enthusiastic speaker. Attire is semi-formal. Admission is \$30/adults, \$20/UMR Students. Tickets are available from the UMR Ticket Window (573/341-4219), or by calling the Rolla branch of the NAACP at 573/368-4616, or by calling Gwendolyn Stovall at 573/364-5826. **Contact:** Mary Ann Pulley, UMR AACRC Chair, at 573/341-6937 or maryp@umr.edu.

February-March 2003

University Center - East, UMR Campus

Lelia Thompson Flagg Art Contest. Student artwork celebrating African American history and culture will be on display in February and March and then displayed at the Southwestern Bell Cultural Center. Sponsored by the University of Missouri-Rolla African American Cultural Recognition Committee. **Contact:** Mary Ann Pulley, UMR AACRC Chair, at 573/341-6937 or maryp@umr.edu.

February 3-7, 2003

Location TBA

Student Council Diversity Week. Various events are planned during the week to celebrate diversity in honor of Black History Month. Sponsored by the University of Missouri-Rolla Student Council. **Contact:** Glenn Lloyd, UMR Student Council Intercultural Relations Chair at gdl972@umr.edu, or Nancy Austin, UMR Student Council Intercultural Relations Asst. Chair at ncayr8@umr.edu.

February 13, 2003 Time: 7:30 P.M.

Leach Theater, Castleman Hall, UMR Campus

Jammin' with Pops. A new musical by Barry Harman, gives a fictional account of a backstage visit between Ella Fitzgerald and Louis Armstrong. Late one evening in the 1960s, Ella Fitzgerald makes a surprise backstage visit. Louis and the All Stars are beat, but when Ella says she is a little blue, Louis starts an impromptu jam session to cheer her up. Hopefully, music and a lot of reminiscing will help. Sponsored by the University of Missouri - Rolla African American Cultural Recognition Committee. Admission is \$15/adults, \$10/UMR Students with a valid student I.D., and \$8/youth age 18 and younger. All day-of-show tickets are \$15. For more information, call UMR Ticket Window at 573/341-4219. **Contact:** Mary Ann Pulley, UMR AACRC Chair, at 573/341-6937 or maryp@umr.edu.

February 15, 2003 Time: 8:30 A.M.

Room 204 McNutt Hall, UMR Campus

AACRC and NSBE Oratorical Contest. Contest is open to high school students in Missouri and bordering states and is held in conjunction with UMR's Dinner to Jazz concert and banquet. This year's theme is "The Souls of Black Folk." More than \$175 in prizes will be given. Sponsored by the University of Missouri-Rolla student chapter of the National Society of Black Engineers and the African American Cultural Recognition Committee. **Contact:** Mary Ann Pulley, UMR AACRC Chair at 573/341-6937, maryp@umr.edu; or Christian Washington at cwash@umr.edu.

**February 16, 2003 Time: 8:00 A.M. &
9:30 A.M.**

Christ Episcopal Church, 10th and Main

Absalom Jones Sunday. Absalom Jones, the first African American Episcopal priest, will be celebrated during services at Christ Episcopal Church, 10th and Main Sts. Speaker TBA. Sponsored by the University of Missouri - Rolla African American Cultural Recognition Committee. No admission cost. **Contact:** Mary Ann Pulley, UMR AACRC Chair, at 573/341-6937 or maryp@umr.edu.